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Packaging

Cigar & Tobacco Labels

Excerpts from newspapers and other sources

From the files of the
Lincoln Financial Foundation Collection

Orchard Park, N.Y. 14127

14 June 1981

The Louis A. Warren Lincoln Library and Museum
1300 South Clinton Street
Fort Wayne, Indiana 46801

Dear Mrs. Hubler:

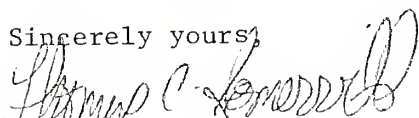
I would like to thank you for the Lincoln Lore bulletin on the cigar and tobacco labels.

I would very much like to see your collection if I ever get to Fort Wayne.

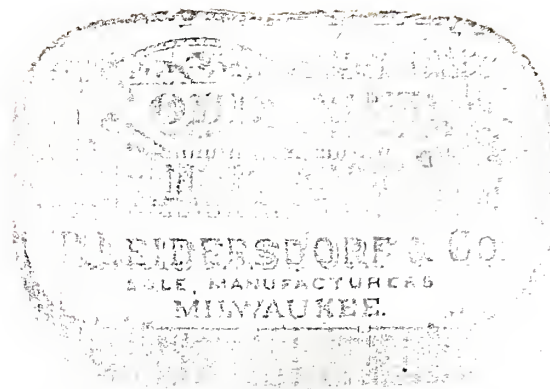
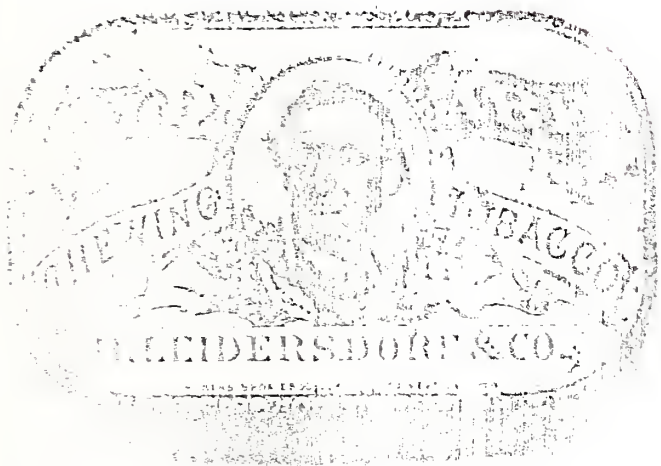
I have enclosed a copy of a label in my collection that came from a cigar maker here in Buffalo. This was a stock label that was to be overprinted with some name from the local cigar maker that would make the brand somewhat his own in this area. The other copy is a picture of a tin I used to own which is very rare. The graphics on this tin are very nice, but it is an expensive tin to buy if you are able to find one.

Thank you again, and I am,

Sincerely yours,



Thomas C Somerville



THE SPIFFY Old Abe Chewing Tobacco small flat pocket has been shown previously in Tin Type (much to the delight of tobacco tin collectors), but when one in this condition surfaces, it more than rates a repeat performance. This particular one was found at a flea market, in an old trunk, for the grand price of \$10, which certainly qualifies it as a winner of our coveted Piece of the Month Award. Picturing the Great Emancipator, this is one of the most sought-after of all tobacco tins, and certainly with good reason. The item was from the old Bernhard Leidersdorf tobacco works of Milwaukee, and the tin itself was made by the Somers factory. Leidersdorf historical notes are to be found in our issue of June 1975, and the Somers Bros. history, in some detail, is contained within the pages of our August 1980 issue. Courtesy Barry and Cheryl Broughton.



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June 13, 1983

Marilyn Tolbert
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Dear Ms. Tolbert:

Thank you for contacting our museum. I hope that the enclosed information will prove helpful in your research.

The Handbook of American Cigar Boxes, by Tony Hyman published by Arnot Art Museum, Elmira N.Y., 1979, is an excellent source and should answer most of your questions. Your local library should have a copy or be able to get it through the lending library service. Unfortunately, we do not have any specific information on Lincoln cigars.

Sincerely,

Anne Tierney

Anne Tierney

The Lincoln Financial Foundation Collection includes a collection of original Lincoln-inspired cigar labels. These items are available at the Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Visit www.lincolncollection.org for contact information.



Cigars Sold in Lancaster early 1910
Picture from old glass negative

Paul V. Hanna 514 E. 7th Lancaster, Ohio

